GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3023
ANSWERED ON:13.08.2003
MINORITY COMMUNITY STATUS TO UNIVERSITY
RAMDAS ATHAWALE

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Aligarh Muslim University has been awarded minority community status;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to award similar status to the Jamia Milia Islamia University of Delhi;

(d) whether the Government have received any memorandum/ request in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) to (f) : The Eleven-Judge Bench of SupremeCourt of India, in its judgement on the writ petitions filed by T.M. Pai foundation and others, has not answered the question about the indicia for treating an educational institution as a minority institution and has left this question to be dealt with by a regular bench. Hence the question of awarding minority community status to any University, including Aligarh Muslim University, remains undecided.